

PLANS

For The Irrigation Congress About To Open

Salt Lake City, Utah, Sept. 26—No convention held by the National Irrigation Congress in the twenty-one years of its history was ever greeted with more perfect arrangements than the one about to open in this city. When the Utah delegates stood up for Salt Lake City at the convention last year and succeeded in having it selected out of a long list of rivals, they promised a demonstration that would be a record-breaker, and now that the arrangements are about completed, their promise is seen to have been no extravagance.

Headquarters for the congress were opened today. The advance guard of delegates and visitors has already put in an appearance, but the big rush will not be on until the end of the week. The gathering will get down to business Monday morning and the sessions will be continued four days.

The Governor of Utah and the Mayor and business men of Salt Lake City have co-operated with Senator Francis G. Newlands of Nevada, who is president of the congress, in arranging for the reception and entertainment of the visitors. The delegates are expected to number between 1,000 and 1,500. They will represent nearly all the States of the Union and sections of Canada and Mexico. Commercial organizations, irrigation and agricultural associations, horticultural and engineering societies, college and universities will be represented.

Speakers both American and foreign will address the congress. Among the subjects which will receive attention in the papers, addresses and discussions are "Scientific Investigation of Irrigation Projects," "Co-operative Effort of Government and State Immigration Officials," "Elimination by Law of Fraud in Connection with the Location and Sale of Land," "The Close Co-operation of State Engineers," "Irrigation of the Great West," "Proper Safeguarding of Irrigation Securities," "Enactment of Practical Working and Uniform State Irrigation Laws," "Preservation of the Forests," "Opportunity to Build New Homes," "Measurement of the Streams," and "Storing of the Floods."

The business sessions of the congress will be interspersed with entertainment prepared on an unusually elaborate scale. A great industrial exposition will hold forth during the week and every night will be devoted to carnival features. The crowning of the Wizard of the Wasatch with his gay pageantry, and the singing of the Ode to Irrigation in the great Mormon Tabernacle will be leading features of the program.

It is regarded as particularly appropriate that the meeting that marks the coming of age of the National Irrigation Congress should be held here. It was in Utah sixty-five years ago that the modern system of irrigation had its small beginning. The first meeting of the congress was held twenty-one years ago in Salt Lake City, which has since become the center of the splendid empire which irrigation has reclaimed from the great American desert.

MISSOURI CONFEDERATE

Warrensburg, Mo., Sept. 26—Scores of Confederate veterans from various parts of the state are here in attendance upon a three-day session, beginning today, of the annual reunion of the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Missouri. The city is decorated in honor of the old soldiers and ample entertainment has been provided for them and their friends.

G. F. BAER 70 YEARS OLD

Reading, Pa., Sept. 26—The seventy-fifth birthday anniversary of George F. Baer, president of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company, was marked today by the receipt of numerous congratulatory messages at the Baer home, Hawthorne, in this city. Mr. Baer has now reached the age when, in conformity with the Reading company's pension system, he would be placed upon the retired list. So far as is publicly known, however, no arrangements have been made for Mr. Baer to give up his position as head of the great railroad and coal properties whose affairs he has directed for nearly twenty years.

LUNA HIDES HER FACE

Washington, D. C., Sept. 26—Observers of the celestial spheres were up and astir before the first crowing of the rooster this morning to witness the partial eclipse of the moon. In this vicinity, it is true, the astronomers were somewhat apathetic regarding the eclipse, for the reason that the time when the moon entered the shadow of the earth was so close to the hour of daybreak that no observations of value could be taken. In the far western part of the country the chances to view the salient features of the eclipse were much better.

SHORT LOCALS

Eggs 28c; butter 28c.

Miss Violet Miller of West Curtis street is quite ill with pleurisy.

Mrs. Chabries F. Bullock returned Wednesday from a visit in St. Marys, O.

Mr. Harry Brown and son, Cover, of Fredericktown visited with relatives in the city Wednesday.

Mr. Howard Gallagher of Columbus visited relatives in the city over Wednesday.

Extra fine White Plymouth Rock cockerels. Price reasonable if sold soon. W. H. Sapp, Brink Haven, O.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wise of Danville are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Wilkins of Mt. Vernon.

Mr. Russell M. Church left Thursday morning for Canton where he will make a business visit.

Kirk & Jackson Millinery opening will occur today. 15 East Gambler street.

Miss Rose Macomber, a nurse at the Mt. Vernon hospital, went to Fredericktown Thursday morning on professional business.

Mr. Robert M. Bowland of Chicago, Ill., arrived in the city Wednesday to visit his mother and other relatives and friends in Mt. Vernon.

Mrs. E. H. Fairchild and her guests, Mrs. Wilkins and Mrs. Cleveland, went to Columbus this morning to spend the day.

The Mt. Liberty band furnished music at the Knox county fair on Thursday. The Centerburg band will play on Friday.

We have our fall opening today. Come Saturday and see everything new in fall millinery. Kirk and Jackson, 15 East Gambler street.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Workman of Danville visited over Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hess of West High street.

Hon. Lewis B. Houck of this city will lecture in the M. E. church at Centerburg this evening on "My Trip Abroad."

Mrs. Ida Pusey has returned from a visit at Fredericktown and is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Carrie Tilton, North Main street.

Cut rates on all watch repairing. Main spring 75c; cleaning 75c; crystals 15c; jewels, 25c to 75c. Work guaranteed 1 year. Owens, corner Main and Gambler streets—up stairs.

Mr. William Henderson of this city, who has been playing baseball in the Michigan league during the past summer, has accepted a position in Upper Sandusky for the winter.

You will spend the time both pleasantly and profitably if you attend our Fall Millinery opening Friday, September 27. A. A. Frye, 204 South Main.

Rev. Thomas G. McCalla of Cleveland, who has been spending several weeks at the home of his parents, east of the city, on account of ill-health, returned to Cleveland today to resume his work.

Mr. Allen Forrest of Sandusky, O., was removed from the Ohio State Sanatorium to the 2:42 train on the B. & O. Thursday afternoon. He returned home.

Legal advice and expert opinion by experienced attorneys on any question of law, for one dollar. Send attention. Ohio Correspondence Law Bureau, 307 Engineer's Building, Cleveland, Ohio.

BIRTHS

A daughter was born Wednesday afternoon to Mr. and Mrs. Hal Johnson of East High street.

A son was born Sunday, Sept. 23rd, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Champion, Jr., of Strouthers, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Champion formerly resided in Mt. Vernon.

A daughter was born Wednesday afternoon to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shellenbarger of North Sandusky street.

BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

Brandon Baptist Church—The Rev. Theodore Hofmeister, pastor, Sunday school at 10 a. m.; preaching services at 7:30 p. m. Subject: "The Lost Experience."

Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening. Come and bring a friend.

Homer Baptist Church—The Rev. Theodore Hofmeister, pastor, Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; preaching at 10:30 a. m. Subject: "It is Enough."

Prayer meeting every Thursday evening. Strangers welcome.

Pigeons Make Flight

The third flight of young birds by the Mt. Vernon Homing Pigeon club was held Wednesday. The result was as follows:

Leon Barry—1, 4, 8
Louis Boucher—2, 5, 6
Dan Colley—3, 7
Frank Lee—9.

SHOT

Himself In A Dream Did A Young Man

Milwaukee, Wis., Sept. 26—Extreme fear, induced by a nightmare, caused Michael Matthews, 22 years old, to shoot himself fatally in the right temple with a revolver while half asleep in his room early today, according to physicians in the Emergency hospital.

Matthews told them his story before he relapsed into unconsciousness.

According to the man's story, he dreamed he was in the hands of a crowd of ruffians who were preparing to torture him. He could hear their curses and their threats, he says, and he remembers he was almost paralyzed with fear.

While in this condition he arose from his bed and crept to a closet in his room, where he got a revolver. That is all that he was able to remember.

TRIED RECIPES

Spinach Loaf

One and one half cups of spinach which has been cooked, chopped and rubbed through a sieve, 2 eggs, 2 tablespoons of butter, 1 teaspoon of salt, one-eighth teaspoon of pepper, one-fourth teaspoon of onion juice.

Add the melted butter to the spinach, then the well-beaten eggs and seasonings. Turn into buttered molds or a bread tin. Set in a pan of water and cook until firm. Garnish with hard cooked eggs if desired.

Spinach Soup

Four cups of white stock (broth in which veal or chicken has been cooked), 2 quarts of spinach, 2 cups of water in which the spinach was cooked, 2 cups of milk, one-fourth cup of butter, one-third cup of flour, salt and pepper, one-fourth teaspoon of powdered sugar, one-eighth teaspoon of soda.

Wash, pick over and cook spinach 30 minutes in boiling water to which one-quarter teaspoon of powdered sugar and the one-eighth teaspoon of soda have been added. Drain, chop and rub through a sieve. Add the wetting to this mixture and bring to a boiling point. Blend (or thicken) with the butter and flour rubbed together. Add the milk, bring to boiling point and season to taste.

Vegetable Salad

Cook and cut in small cubes cauliflower, beets, carrots, also cook peas—chill. Three hours before using put them to soak in French dressing. Keep each vegetable separate. Cut celery in small pieces and cut cabbage as for cold slaw. Pour over each a little of the French dressing just before arranging. If the cabbage soaks in the dressing it will.

Arrange on a large platter lettuce leaves and put heaps of the vegetables on the bed of lettuce, arranging them so the colors will look well. Keep each pile separate. Leave a space in the center and pile the cooked salad dressing into this space.

French Dressing

One cup of olive oil, one third cup of vinegar, one teaspoonful salt, one half teaspoonful of paprika, a little onion if desired.

Put all together in a bottle and shake well just before using. Each vegetable is put in a bowl by itself and covered with the French dressing. Stir occasionally. Then when arranged on the platter dip out the vegetables and leave the French dressing for another use.—Montreal Star.

Whipped Cream Pie

One third cup of butter, one cup of sugar, two eggs, one half cup of milk, one and two thirds cups of Franklin entire wheat flour, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Cream the butter and add the sugar gradually, then the eggs well beaten, milk and flour and baking powder sifted together. Beat well and bake in three layer cake pans. When cold spread whipped cream sweetened and flavored with vanilla, between and on top. Let it stand for at least an hour before serving.

VICTORIA AWAITS CONNAUGHT

Victoria, B. C., Sept. 26—The city of Victoria has donned gala attire in anticipation of the arrival here tomorrow of the Duke of Connaught and his party. The distinguished visitors are to remain in this city and vicinity for six days, during which time there will be numerous features of splendid entertainment in their honor.

DANISH KING'S BIRTHDAY

Copenhagen, Sept. 26—King Christian's forty-second birthday anniversary, which is the first birthday anniversary he has had since he ascended the throne, was celebrated today throughout Denmark as a general holiday. Congratulatory messages were received by his Majesty from royal relatives throughout Europe. King Christian enjoys great popularity throughout the kingdom.

CAUGHT IN HER WORKING GARB

Predicament of a Girl Hidden Behind a Curtain.

Miss Edith Abbott, being of a practical turn of mind and her mother having but one servant, volunteered to "do" the parlor once a week. One Saturday morning, broom in hand, dress pinned back, sleeves rolled above the elbows, a towel over her head to keep the dust from her hair, she heard a ring at the doorbell. Before she could escape she heard the maid open the door and the familiar voice of Mr. Alexander Hathaway, a newly appointed officer in the United States army, asking for her father. Fearing that the maid might be stupid enough to show him into the parlor and not caring to be caught in sweeping costume, she stepped between a portiere and folding doors, intending to open the doors and leave by the dining room. The doors were off the slide, and she could not open them. Meanwhile Mr. Hathaway entered the parlor and took a seat.

"Wonder what he wants with papa?" queried Miss Abbott, eyeing him through an opening in the portiere.

Mr. Abbott, a dignified gentleman came in, eyed the corner curiously, bade him good morning and waited for him to tell what he had come for.

"My regiment is ordered to Manila," began the young man haltingly.

"Indeed?" said Mr. Abbott. What interest could this have for him?

"Of course that takes me, you know," Mr. Abbott did not know and did not care. He repeated the word "Indeed!"

"The men are on the train now. It is to start at 12 noon. I secured leave to come here and speak with you a moment." The lieutenant looked at his watch. "It is half past 11. I have fifteen minutes here and fifteen minutes to make the train. What I came for is to ask you if you have any objection to my asking Edith to be my wife. I would like her to join me at San Francisco, be married there and go out to Manila."

Edith's heart jumped into her throat. Alex Hathaway, rich, handsome, in every way attractive! She had never dreamed that he would ask for such a commonplace person as she regarded herself.

Mr. Abbott took out his own watch. "You haven't a surplus of time," he said. "So I will come to the point at once. I will gladly welcome you for a son-in-law if my daughter is herself willing. Have you asked her?"

"No. I thought that if you should object it would be better not to speak to her now."

"I'll call her. Edith! Edith! Where are you? You're wanted at once!"

Now, if there is anything a woman is punctilious about it is the acceptance of a proposal or the ceremony of marriage. To Edith Abbott the idea of being wooed and won in sweeping costume was as abhorrent. Besides, she dreaded lest the aristocratic young officer, seeing her in such a dress, should repent his choice. She stood stock still. "Nancy," shouted Mr. Abbott, "find Miss Edith immediately. She must be somewhere in the house."

"Yes, sir."

Mr. Abbott sat down and waited. Mr. Hathaway paced the floor impatiently. Edith looked at them both from behind the portiere and wished that some kind fairy would suddenly transform her costume to a more becoming one. Presently the maid came in and reported that Miss Edith was not upstairs and must have gone out. Edith herself, looking at her lover, made up her mind that he was not too gentlemanlike occasionally to say bad words. Both men looked at their watches.

"Well," said the suitor, disappointed. "I fear for the present the matter must be given up. After I reach Manila I will, with your permission, write to her. Perhaps it is better, after all, for me to investigate the climate and accommodations. Meanwhile I think you will agree with me that for you to tell her of this visit would place her in an unpleasant position. Better wait till she gets it from me by letter."

Miss Abbott was by no means disposed to give the young man so good an opportunity to change his mind. Nevertheless it was not till the two men were shaking hands prior to separating that she threw aside the portiere and stood, red as a penny, before them. Hathaway caught her in his arms.

"Sweetheart, you have heard all?" Edith was mute.

"Two minutes," said Mr. Abbott, watch in hand.

"Will you?" pleaded the lieutenant. "Never in this horrid togethery."

"There is no greater test of beauty than the costume you wear. You are prettier in it than I ever saw you."

"Do you really mean it?"

"Certainly. I swear it!"

"I don't believe you."

"Your answer?"

"Thirty seconds!" called the father.

"Answer to what—going to Manila?"

"Both."

"Which first?"

"Ten seconds!" from the timekeeper.

"Do you love me?"

No reply.

"Five seconds!"

"Do you love me?" repeated the officer.

"Time's up!" with a snap of the lid.

"Yes."

Lieutenant Hathaway snatched a kiss and hurried away. Having forced a woman to accept his proposal in sweeping costume, he felt that he had nothing to fear from the Philippines.

NELSON'S FIGHTING MEN.

Had Few Pleasures and Faced Death With a Jest.

Of the "wooden walls of England," the great sailing ships in which Admiral Nelson won his victories, and of the men who worked them, a critic writes: "Though beautiful to behold and terrible to fight with, those old men-of-war were more often than not abodes of tyranny and wretchedness. The violence of the press gangs, which seized men of all ages and occupations, was but a prelude to the oppression that followed. Decent men were herded indiscriminately with ruffians, the rights of free born Englishmen were rudely snatched from them—for them thenceforward there was no law save the will of the captain and the dread articles of war. Shore going leave was nonexistent, the food was atrocious and scanty, punishments were barbarous, and the only thing served out with any liberality was rum, on which the men got drunk and then were dogged for that offense at the gratings next morning."

In Nelson's time the seaman had few pleasures save the prospect of a hot fight and his daily pint of rum. But to these must be added the vainglorious satisfaction he took in his clothes. When rigged in his best he frequently wore rings in his ears and silver buckles on his low shoes, his short blue jacket would be decorated with gold buttons and colored ribbons sewed down the seams to give an additional gaiety, his waistcoat might be red or canary, and a black silk handkerchief would be knotted loosely round his throat. As the finishing touch his hair would be hanging in a cue down his back. The broad collars were first worn as a protection against the grease and pomatum used in dressing the pigtail.

But all these fripperies were discarded when the guns were cast loose from their lashings and the linestocks were lighted. It was the custom of the men when going into action to strip to the waist. They took their black silk handkerchiefs and bound them very tightly round their heads over their ears, so that the roar of the guns might not deafen them for life. It was remarked that men going into action always wore a sulken frown, however merry they were in their talk.

Methods followed in that day were curiously primitive and toilsome, but the results were undoubtedly satisfactory save to the nameless and numberless sailors who met grim death on the black and blood stained decks or in the dark horror of the cockpit. That those hardy and careless men often faced death or disablement with a jest or a cheer only renders their unconscious heroism the more impressive.—Chicago News.

Time For a Change.

What shall we do with our parents? There is my father ruining himself and me by his willful ignorance and my mother ruining us by her extravagances. It is a great development of the times that the ordinary child who is past twenty is altogether better educated, more experienced and wiser than are his parents! It has occurred to me to suggest that after the eldest child reaches twenty the parents should therefore come under the control of the children.—Letter in London Graphic.

Belgium Shrimp Fishers.

Horses play an important part in shrimp fishing along the Belgian coast. A procession of weather beaten fishermen starts from the shore, each man mounted upon the back of a trained horse, dragging the triangular shrimp shaped net which scoops in the shrimp as it passes over the sands. These fishermen on horseback frequently make hauls of several hundredweight in a single trip.



Eleanor Kent is to have a role in "The Gypsy."

It is said Lillian Russell is really to return to the vaudeville stage.

"The Little Minister" may be turned into an opera for Alice Nielsen.

Katelle Wentworth has been engaged for a dual court opera in Germany.

Henry Miller is to produce a new play, "The Black Flag," after the holidays.

Cohan & Harris will this season produce "The Frame-Up," a comedy by Roy Atwell.

Sam Bernard's new Lehar opera for this season has been christened "All for the Ladies."

Richard Carle is now interpolating some songs of his own into the musical play "The Girl from Montmartre."

Programs are to be sold in all the Shubert New York theatres according to an apparently reliable report.

Mme. Simone is to appear in a play called "The Modern Way," by Macdonald Hastings, author of "The New Sin."

Rosine Henley, daughter of E. J. Henley, and Helen Bertram will be in the cast of "The Daughter of Heaven."

L. H. Sothorn and Julia Marlowe will make two revivals this season, "Much Ado About Nothing" and "Richelleu."

Gerald Griffin has made a hit in

Spooner and Son's Paot.

Former United States Senator John C. Spooner told a story which will bear almost any amount of repeating and comment. Mr. Spooner said that he quit smoking after twenty years' indulgence in the practice. His action, he said, had been compelled by his young son, Spooner, Jr., who was about to leave for the west to go into business and Father Spooner seized the opportunity to offer this parental counsel:

"You are going far away to begin your career in a rough country and I would feel better if you promise me before you go that you will not drink."



We probably won't see much of each other again for a good many years and it would give me great consolation to know that wherever you are you are in no danger of being ruined by drink."

Young Spooner received the little lecture calmly. After hearing its conclusion he replied:

"Father, I am going away and we will probably not see each other for some time. This speaking is ruining your health. I would like to feel while I am away that your health is not being ruined by this dangerous nicotine habit. I'll tell you what I will do. You quit smoking and I will quit drinking."

And so the compact was made. There are other fathers, other moralists, perhaps, who may see the significance of the incident in its broadest sense.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

FEDERAL BUILDING DEDICATED

Pana, Ill., Sept. 26—Pana's new Federal Building, which was recently completed at a cost of \$70,000, was dedicated today with interesting exercises. Former Congressman Ben F. Caldwell, of Springfield, delivered the dedication address.

WOMEN IN THIRD PARTY

Hartford, Conn., Sept. 26—Several women were among the accredited delegates to the State convention of the Progressive party of Connecticut, which met in this city today to name candidates for State office, Congress and presidential electors, and to adopt a platform and complete arrangements for the State campaign.

England in a tabloid version of "Other People's Money," by Edward Owings Towne.

The cable reports a brilliant success in London for Marie Tempest in Harold Chapin's new comedy, entitled "Art and Opportunity."

Geraldine Malone has just been engaged by Frederick McKay to play the Western girl with Blanche Ring in "The Wall Street Girl."

Oigo Netherale will appear in "The Awakening of Helena Ritchie" in London, having leased the English rights of the play from Margaret Anglin.

W. S. Hart, who was with "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine" last season, will appear this season in vaudeville in a new playlet entitled "Moonshine."

Eva Davenport, who has appeared in a number of Gilbert and Sullivan operas, is going into vaudeville with tabloid versions of the old favorites.

Josephine Victor, who made such a pronounced hit in "Chanticleer" as the Pheasant Hen, will be leading woman in "The Wedding Journey," in which Arnold Daly will star.

Lydia Lepoukova has been added to the cast of "The Lady of the Slipper," which Charles Dillingham will offer at the Globe Theatre, New York, in November, with Montgomery and Stone and Elsie Janis.

Society News

Grange Is Entertained

Knox County Pomona Grange met with Butler grange near Eato last Saturday. The forenoon was spent in a social way. At noon all marched to the basement of the hall, led by the officers of Pomona, and partook of a bountiful feast prepared by the matrons of the grange. At 1:30 p. m., Worthy Master John Cunningham called the meeting to order in closed session. After an hour of business the doors were thrown open and the public was entertained with a fine program consisting of songs, recitations, solos, quartets and addresses given by Butler grange. A fine assortment of fruit and vegetables was on display and was judged by a committee appointed by Master Cunningham.

Entertained

With Corn Roast

Misses Edith and Emma McCalla delightfully entertained at their home east of the city Wednesday evening with a corn roast. About twenty-five guests were present and the evening was most pleasantly spent about a big bon-fire in the woods. The out of town visitor was Rev. Thomas G. McCalla of Cleveland.

Divebiss-Hettinger Wedding

Mr. D. D. Divebiss of Bellville and Miss Blanche G. Hettinger of Fredericktown were united in marriage at 12:30 Wednesday afternoon at the home of Rev. J. A. Long, pastor of the Vine street Church of Christ.

MT. ZION

Mr. Aaron Donahay of Galena is spending a few days with his daughter, Mrs. J. C. Thompson.

Quite a number from here attended the birthday surprise party for Mrs. James Fowles of Pine Bluff, Thursday.

Mrs. Henry Van Winkle is spending a few weeks with friends near Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. Harrison Elbert lost one of his work horses Saturday, death resulting from it being kicked by another horse.

Mr. and Mrs. George Harris spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Cary Harris of Winding Fork.

Owing to the inclement weather there was no Sunday school at Mt. Zion Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Charles Scoles spent last week with his brother, Mr. Roy Scoles, of near Gambler.

NORTH LIBERTY

A son was born last week to Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Porter.

Dr. Grey moved to Butler last week. While people of this place regret to see him leave